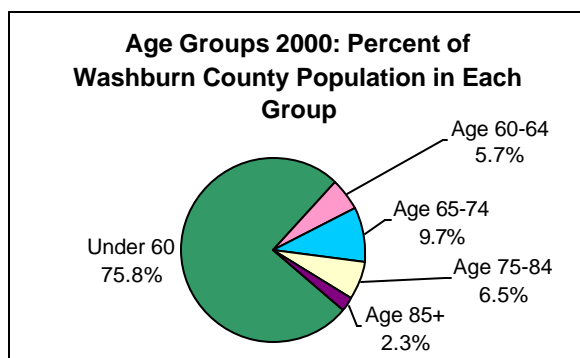

Washburn County's Older Population

A summary of data from the U.S. Census, 2000

Population:

The proportion of people age 65 and older in Washburn County is much higher than that of the state as a whole (18.5% versus 13.1%). The rate of growth in the older population since 1990 has been faster in this county than in the state as a whole (12.9% versus 7.9%). In all, 2,967 people in this county are age 65 or older, and 375 of these are age 85 or older. Washburn County's average (or median) age is 42.1 years, compared to a statewide median of 36.0 years.

Washburn County: Population and Change Since 1990						
	2000 Census		1990 Census		Change: 1990-2000	
	Number	% of Total	Number	% of Total	Number	% Change
Total, All Ages	16,036		13,772		2,264	16.4%
Persons 60 and over	3,875	24.2%	3,431	24.9%	444	12.9%
Persons 65 and over	2,967	18.5%	2,627	19.1%	340	12.9%
Persons 85 and over	375	2.3%	270	2.0%	105	38.9%



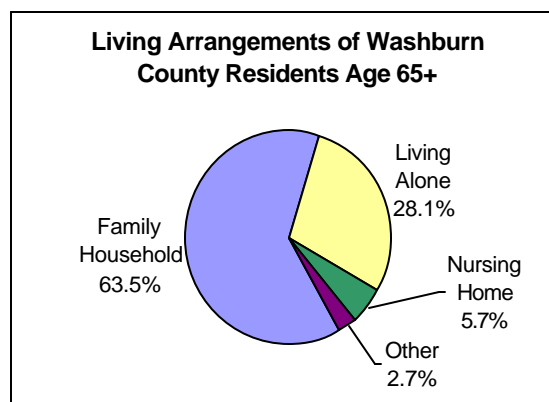
Race:

A large majority (99.2%) of Washburn County's 65 and over population is white. On average, the county's minority groups are younger than whites. Washburn County African Americans have a median age of 17.5 years, and the median age of Hispanics/Latinos here is 19.4 years. Whites, in contrast, average 42.6 years.

Living Arrangements:

Of the 6,604 households in Washburn County, 2,037 include at least one person age 65 or older (30.8% of all households). A total of 1,908 housing units in the county have a "household head" aged 65 or older, and 81.4% of these are owner occupied (the rest are rented).

A majority (63.5%) of the older population lives in "family households" containing at least two people related by blood or marriage, but another 28.1% of people 65 or older live alone. Of those older people in family households, 3.3% are living in the home of one of their children. A total of 170 people age 65 and older live in Washburn County nursing homes (5.7% of all those in this age group). A very small number of the county's older residents live in nonfamily households or in other institutions.



SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000, Summary File 1.

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